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TO : [REDACTED] DATE: March 1 1950  
FROM : Central Intelligence Agency [REDACTED]  
SUBJECT: Interdepartmental Foreign Information Staff  
March 1 Draft of Suggested Charter for Psychological Warfare  
Intelligence Committee

Attached hereto is an information copy of the March 1 draft of suggested charter for Psychological Warfare Intelligence Committee which was forwarded to the Chief, Plans and Policy Staff, and to the Assistant Director, Office of Reports and Estimates.

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## Attachment:

3/1/50 draft of suggested charter for Psychological Warfare Intelligence Committee.

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**DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE DIRECTIVE****PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE**

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In order to achieve coordination of the intelligence activities of the several government departments in the field of foreign information and psychological warfare, a permanent interdepartmental committee is hereby established to plan and to coordinate such intelligence activities of the several government departments and agencies as they affect the national security. This permanent committee shall be called the Psychological Warfare Intelligence Committee.

1. The Psychological Warfare Intelligence Committee shall act under the chairmanship of a representative of CIA and shall be composed of designated representatives from CIA (Chairman), Department of State, Department of the Army, Department of the Navy, Department of the Air Force, Atomic Energy Commission, the Joint Staff and such other ad hoc members as may be determined necessary by the regular committee members. In order to maintain continuity and stability, each department and agency mentioned above will designate a regular member and, if desired, an alternate by transmitting names and titles to the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency. This action will not preclude the attendance at committee meetings of such additional persons as may be technically and otherwise qualified to discuss a particular subject under consideration by the committee.

2. The Psychological Warfare Intelligence Committee will establish its methods of procedure.

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3. The Psychological Warfare Intelligence Committee will meet on matters pertaining to psychological warfare intelligence:

- a. to determine the areas of interest in which psychological warfare intelligence effort is required;
- b. to establish, on the basis of need, ad hoc and permanent interdepartmental working committees in specific sub-divisions of psychological warfare intelligence to insure adequate coverage of the field;
- c. to establish appropriate frames of reference for each working committee;
- d. to resolve differences arising between or within working committees regarding priorities for production and other pertinent matters.

4. The working committees, established by the Psychological Warfare Intelligence Committee and operating under its overall jurisdiction, will have, in their specific fields of psychological warfare intelligence, the following basic responsibilities, and such others as may be deemed necessary by the Psychological Warfare Intelligence Committee:

- a. aid in the formulation of national requirements;
- b. preparation of interdepartmental production plans with full coverage of this field, guided by the principle of avoiding unnecessary duplication and overlap;
- c. evaluation of the adequacy of collection activities with the object of achieving fullest coordination to meet national requirements in accordance with NSCIB's Nos. 2 and 10;

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d. allocation, by agreement of the IAC agencies of responsibility for production by the various participating agencies;

e. informing of the interested agencies of work in progress;

f. maintenance of the fullest exchange of available information;

g. preparation of coordinated reports, showing IAC concurrence or non-concurrence, which present the best available intelligence.

5. Liaison will be established with the Interdepartmental Foreign Information Organization established pursuant to NSC-59 to ascertain its requirements and plan appropriate means for their resolution.

6. Liaison will be established with the Office of Policy Coordination and the Office of Scientific Intelligence, CIA, for the purpose of having the interests of those offices adequately represented.

7. The Psychological Warfare Intelligence Committee will make plans for the structure and functioning of an intelligence organization to support a national psychological warfare program and will coordinate this activity with the planning activity of the Interdepartmental Foreign Information Organization created by NSC-59.

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8. The Psychological Warfare Intelligence Committee will take steps to insure that the intelligence activities of this government field of psychological warfare are adequately coordinated with the intelligence activities of foreign governments with whom this government has a working agreement.

9. Any problem which cannot be resolved satisfactorily by the Psychological Warfare Intelligence Committee will be referred, with

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recommendations, to the DCI, (for consideration by the Intelligence Advisory Committee.)

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